

SCHOOL HEADS MAY CONSIDER LEAGUE BREAK

Disagreement on Holding District Meets At Kingsville Prompts Move to Leave League

Definite action on the question of the Valley district withdrawing from the University of Texas Intercollegiate league may be taken at the meeting of the Valley Superintendents' association at Mission Monday night, it was announced here Saturday by P. D. Kennamer, county superintendent of Cameron county.

The matter was brought up at the last meeting of the superintendents, when a resolution providing for such withdrawal was introduced by Mr. Kennamer, although the resolution was tabled after a decision to continue attempts at arbitration in the matter, with the hope of reaching some agreement with the Intercollegiate League.

The disagreement with the league arises from the action of that organization in including the Valley district in a large district along with some 20 other counties, with the district meetings to be held at the Southwest Texas State Teachers' college at Kingsville instead of in the Valley as heretofore.

The reasons set forth by the Intercollegiate league in this matter are that the pupils will have the benefit of visiting the buildings, etc., at the teachers' college, and the district meet will be conducted better by the teachers at the normal than by the superintendents and others in the Valley, Mr. Kennamer said.

In refusing these points Mr. Kennamer said that the Valley has a number of school buildings which compare favorably with any in the state, that most of the superintendents in the Valley have held their present jobs over a period of five years or more, and that they are thoroughly experienced and capable in the conduct of a district meeting.

But he mentioned the chief objection to the plan of the league as being the inability of a representative number of Valley pupils attending the district meeting if it is held at Kingsville, whereas all who were entitled to do so could attend a district meet in the Valley. The arrangement of the league will make it impossible for most Valley children to attend the district meeting, Mr. Kennamer believes.

The matter is being discussed in correspondence between Sid Hardin, superintendent at Mission, and the league, and between other teachers and the league, and it is possible that definite action may be delayed.

MRS. MORE WINNER IN GOLF TOURNEY

Mrs. C. H. More was winner in the Country club women's golf tournament Friday afternoon, with a score of 69, and a 22 handicap, leaving her score in the count at 38.

Mrs. Wm. S. West was second in the tournament Friday with a 64, and a handicap of 25, leaving a total score of 39.

Others who took part, and their scores were: Mrs. Holland Wood, 61, handicap 9, score 52; Mrs. M. L. Todd, 73, handicap 25, score 48; Mrs. B. O. Works, 58, handicap 7, score 51; Mrs. E. A. Buchanan, 74, handicap 25, score 49; Mrs. O. D. Deputy, 49, handicap 9, score 40; Mrs. R. B. Creager, 70, handicap 25, score 45; Mrs. W. P. Withers, 74, handicap 30, score 44; Mrs. Thomas H. Sweeney, 84, handicap 24, score 60.

HEADQUARTERS FIVE BEATS SAN BENITO

Headquarters Detachment basketball team at Fort Brown defeated the San Benito city team here Friday night, in a game played at Hinkley hall, by a score of 29 to 18, this being the first encounter between the two teams.

Headquarters won the championship of Fort Brown Wednesday night in defeating the Service troop team by a score of 20 to 10.

The Headquarters team has been defeated by only one team, the El Jardin All-Stars of this city, the army team having lost two games to this all-star combination, which has not been defeated in a regular scheduled game.

BAYLOR BEARS LOOK STRONG ON DIAMOND

(Continued on Page Three.)
WACO, Texas, Feb. 12.—With early spring days prevailing, the Baylor University baseball prospects have started preliminary training under the direction of Assistant Coach Steinie Strickland. Coach Frank Bridges will take over the Bruins at the end of basketball season. Prospects for the Bears this season look fair but nothing extra. Probably their only outstanding point will be an extra strong outfield, one that should rank in both hitting and fielding along with the Texas University veteran trio, which will be Pratt, Thompson and Williamson. The Baylor outfield combination will likely be composed of Captain Benny Strickland, Jack Sisco and Johnny Naylor. Strickland and Sisco are veterans and were both stars last season. Naylor is a promising prospect from the Cubs. He has a strong rival in Jones, another hard-hitting youngster from last year's Cub nine.

MORE 'YOUNG BLOOD' FOR THE SENATORS Much Expected of Tobin and Bush in Coming Campaign



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Encouraged by his wonderful success with veterans such as Coveleskie, Ruether, Severid, Joe Harris and Peckinpaugh, Stanley Harris, in landing Outfielder Johnny Tobin and Pitcher "Bullet Joe" Bush from the Browns has added two more "old men" to his Washington ball club.

George Sisler, just as strong for youngsters as Harris is for the seasoned vets, obtained pitchers Zachary and Balou in the swap. Zachary isn't exactly a youngster, but he is still under 30. Balou is only 26 and it is on him that Manager George figures more strongly. He came to the Senators just last year from the Chattanooga club, and what the Browns saw of him was enough to satisfy them that he has the stuff.

Harris in all probability will alternate Tobin and Joe Harris in center field, as Joe is a right handed hitter while Johnny bats from the other side of the plate. Tobin, although a veteran, has by no means outlived his usefulness. His

first professional baseball was played in 1913 with the St. Louis Federal League club backed by Phil Ball. Following the bust-up of that league, Ball became owner of the St. Louis Browns, and, among others, took Tobin with him.

Johnny was sent to the Salt Lake team in 1917 where he hit .331 in 189 games, which resulted in his return to the Browns. Upon his return he became a regular, and, aside from the season of 1918, piled up an impressive batting average. In 1919 he averaged .277, in 1919 .327, in 1920 hit .340, .352 in 1921, .331 in 1922, .317 in 1923 and in 1924 he hung up a .309 average. Last year numerous injuries kept him inactive a greater part of the time.

To expect Stanley Coveleskie to repeat his performance of last year would be asking too much. Without the Pole the Senators never would have repeated last year. Now Harris is wondering if Joe Bush can pull a "Covey." If he can the Senator boss thinks he has the 1926 flag as good as in.

Bush's nickname of "Bullet Joe" was quite an appropriate one. Back in 1913

with the Athletics he trimmed the Giants in a World Series game with a sharp breaking curve and a fast ball that was a fast ball and hard to hit.

Records show that Bush pitched 291 innings in 1913 and 206 in 1914. With the breaking up of the famous Athletic team in 1915, went Joe's effectiveness. He won only five while losing 15 that year. The season of 1917 still saw him with the Macks, but in 1918 he was traded to Boston.

He fared little better with the Sox the next two years but improved with 15 wins and only nine defeats in 1921, whereupon the Yankees grabbed him. Eager to receive a part of the World Series money, Bush overworked his arm in winning 26 and losing but seven for the Yanks in 1922. Yet in 1924 he came back and won 17 while losing 16.

Last year he went to the Browns in the deal that brought Urban Shocker back to the Yanks. Shocker could be called a failure in 1925, but Bush fared no better for the Browns.

With Goslin, Rice, Harris and Tobin working in the outfield, and with Bush going along about the same pace that Coveleskie performed last year, Harris believes he has "another pennant bugged."

EXPECT FAST VALLEY CLUBS

Prospects for More Entries in Baseball League Seen

That the fastest semi-pro league in the history of the Valley will be had this summer, was the content of news yesterday in the towns that met and organized the Valley league here Friday night.

In Rio Grande City they are making preparations under the leadership of Lieutenant J. S. Redwell who will combine the best soldier talent of Fort Ringgold with the best talent that he can muster in civilian life. With this in view, he has, say reports, engaged O. C. Emery, coach of the Pharr-San Juan high school, to take over the playing end of his team.

Ed Brady of San Benito is getting his team lined up already, and is very enthusiastic over prospects.

Captain Putnam of Fort Brown, says they will have an all-soldier team and believes his club will be one of the strongest.

Bob Wells of Brownsville, one-time player and well known in amateur circles over the state, says that a local organization to take care of Brownsville's interest in the league will be formed in the next few days. Mr. Wells is also in touch with a ball player to take charge of the playing end of the Brownsville team, who will play and get together a team.

Mr. Wells says he has had much encouragement from Brownsville people in regard to local baseball.

Edinburg and Harlingen may enter the league, reports from these towns saying they will have a club, but as yet they haven't made application for berths in the league, said O. N. Boston, president of the league, yesterday.

"They will have, along with any other towns in the Valley, until the 25th of this month to make application for entry," said Mr. Boston. "But after that date the league will be officially closed to admittance."

Messages of congratulations from all over the Valley to the representatives of the towns present here at the meeting Friday night, of the election of Mr. Boston, president and Billy Burnett, secretary.

FREDERICKSBURG TO ENTER BALL LEAGUE

(By The Associated Press.)
FREDERICKSBURG, Texas, Feb. 12.—A number of local baseball fans met at the Chamber of Commerce office to reorganize the Fredericksburg Giants baseball club for the 1926 season. The following officers were re-elected for the coming season and a vote of thanks was extended them for the good work that was done for the team last year: Arthur Kuennenmann, Harry Reichman, Felix Holling, Ernest Lochte, O. H. Burdick, directors; Felix H. Saenger, business manager. Those of the players present at the

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